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## TALK FOR BABES.

### Tariff Speeches of Democrats Mere Twaddle.

New York, Aug. 28.—The New York Times, Dem., recalling a recent speech of Senator Bailey in which he gave assurances that the Democrats, if in control of the Government, would reduce the tariff but slightly, has this to say editorially:

"The Democrats may as well drop the tariff issue, if they cannot discuss it like men with robust convictions. They will win no votes by paltering with the subject. This is a year for plain speech. Voters of this country are without exception adults. Tariff discussion thus far heard in the campaign seems to have been addressed to nursery audiences.

"Senator Bailey began well, in that part of his Brooklyn speech which he devoted to tariffs. He approved the platform declaration that Dingleyism is 'robbery of many to enrich the few.' For a moment his speech gave promise of having real stuff in it, but the old 'tariff scare' ghost rose before him, flapping its tattered cerements, and he instantly turned, as all half-hearted tariff talkers have got into the way of turning, and put himself on the defensive.

"From that point on his speech was all apology and appeasement. Don't be alarmed, we shall touch the tariff; but gently. We are not free traders. There must be thumping big revenue raised, and its chief source must be import duties. It is perfectly well understood that those import duties will protect American manufacturers against their foreign competitors, and so on through the old, tiresome nerveless, spineless rigmarole—Lodge or Aldrich might as well have made the speech.

"There is no virtue in the proclamation of a policy invariably accompanied by a neutralizing declaration that you don't mean a word you say. With the perfect frankness of a friend, we must say that what was the matter with the tariff paragraphs of Judge Parker's speech of acceptance. There was no pledge, no promise, no affirmative declaration of Democratic opposition to the extortions, private favors and public outrages of the Dingley tariff.

"If the Democrats really intend to do nothing with the tariff, they should quit talking about it. Democratic orators ought to rid themselves of the paralyzing fear that the tariff reform campaign will disturb business.

"Nothing on earth would so help the business of this country as the cutting down of duties that stand in its way."

### More Lands Withdrawn.

For the re-election of a storage reservoir site for the Umatilla irrigation project, the land office in this city has been instructed to withdraw from all forms of entry several townships in Morrow county. Orders were received from the general land office to this effect Wednesday, and until the government engineers finish their surveys, the land in the restricted district will not be subject to settlement.

"The action of the land office in withdrawing the townships in Morrow county," said John T. Whistler, head of the reclamation service in Oregon, "is in accordance with the desires of the reconnaissance party that has been seeking a new reservoir site since the Willow creek plan was found unfeasible. It does not mean that the reservoir will take up all the land withdrawn, but it indicates that the engineers expect to locate

it somewhere within the restricted body.

"We always ask the land office to hold back lands from entry in sections where we are pushing our investigations, for it is a great deal easier to turn the reserve back than it is to secure it after filings have been made by settlers."

—The Dalles Chronicle.

## TO OPEN AGAIN.

### Voters Will Have Another Opportunity to Register.

Under and by virtue of section 2,865, of Bellinger and Cotton's code, as amended by the Direct Primary Elections Law, Attorney General Crawford has held that it becomes the duty of the county clerks of the several counties of the state to open the books for registration on September 20 and to keep the same open until 6 o'clock of the evening of October 20, both dates inclusive, in view of the forthcoming November election. Since the section referred to was not amended until after the last June election, the Attorney General holds that all of those whose names appear on the books at that time have been legally registered and will not be compelled to attend to this duty again.

This holding was couched in an opinion which was rendered by the Attorney General in response to an inquiry from County Clerk J. B. Gilliam, of Union county. The Attorney General says:

"It is not necessary to register those voters who duly registered for the June election, but only those who did not register for that election. The section above referred to was in force without amendment until the June election, hence those who registered prior to that election are legally registered, and then the direct primary law was voted at the June election and the proclamation of the Governor was issued on the 24th day of June, 1904, declaring the law to be in effect from that date. The amendment took effect at that time, and it provides that the registration books shall be open this fall from the 20th of September to the 20th of October, but those who are legally registered are not required to register, but those not registered for the June election should be registered."

## LEXINGTON NEWS.

Prof. and Mrs. Wilcox returned from the mountains last Thursday. S. C. Jackson, of Heppner, was in town the fore part of last week on business.

R. A. Nichols' youngest child is under the doctor's care. She is improving slowly.

W. E. Leach was unable to work Monday, but Tuesday he was found at his post.

Miss Lottie Davis went to Heppner last Saturday, where she will remain for several weeks.

Mrs. E. S. Tyler's youngest boy fell from a hack Friday and was quite seriously hurt, having one leg broken at the thigh.

The roads are becoming very rough. The wheat wagons have cut numerous chuckholes. There is talk of having a "straw day" soon.

Several car loads of wheat and barley have been shipped from the warehouse at this place lately. Wheat is coming in at a rapid rate.

Eph Eskelson's team ran away with him last Wednesday, throwing him out of the wagon and bruising him up a good deal. He is able to be around again.

Mrs. Jas. Burgoyne, Miss Minnie Burgoyne, Mrs. John White and children, Henry Arnsmeier, and Ed Pointer went to Butter creek last Wednesday to purchase fruit.

The news of both hemispheres—in The Weekly Oregonian.

## PLEASANT DAY ON RHEA CREEK

### Enjoyed at the Comfortable Home of Alex Lindsay.

In company with County Surveyor J. J. McGee and ex-County Commissioner E. C. Ashbaugh, the writer enjoyed a pleasant trip last Sunday out on Rhea creek about 13 miles from Heppner, at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Alex Lindsay, in quest of the royal mountain trout that inhabit the clear waters of Rhea creek. Leaving Heppner at 6:30 in the morning, the light rain of the night before helped to make the drive more pleasant by cooling the atmosphere and laying the dust.

The fact that agriculture is encroaching upon the once great stock industry of Morrow county can be realized in a more impressive manner by going out in almost any direction at this time of year. With a couple of miles of Heppner, where only a short time ago, was exclusive stock grazing, the work of the farmer is now to be seen. Near town, Judge Dutton is taking the initiative as a tiller of the soil, and on the gentle slopes of his hill land has a large tract plowed up and ready for fall seeding, this being the first time that this bunch grass has ever been disturbed by the plow in this land which is undoubtedly very productive.

After reaching the summit of the hill south of town, we passed through the extreme eastern portion of the great wheat belt of the upper Eight Mile country. The grain has all been headed and from the appearance of the stubble and the numerous wheat stacks, a great crop is awaiting the thresher. Stack after stack, as far as the eye could reach presented a pleasing sight. Descending the other side of the ridge, the general contour of the country is rough, but where not too closely pastured, showed a good growth of grass. Down Sanford canyon we soon reached the narrow valley of Rhea creek, and a sniff of the green alfalfa fields was refreshing. Along this valley are some pleasant homes, surrounded with small orchards, all loaded with fruit. The apple trees seemed to be almost breaking down with their loads. Our destination was reached at a little before 9 o'clock, at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Lindsay. This is certainly a very comfortable home with many conveniences. Surrounded with nice shade trees and a green lawn, Mr. Lindsay believes in being comfortable. Mr. Lindsay is now visiting in his native land, Scotland, and Mrs. Lindsay's father, ex-County Commissioner J. L. Howard was there to meet us.

To be successful in catching trout on Rhea creek requires some skill and a whole lot of patience, for the brush along the little stream in some places will compare with the jungles of Africa. After losing a leader or two in the roots in the water and a line or two on the topmost boughs of some of the tall willows in attempting to land the wary beauties, there was probably a little change in the color of the atmosphere, but it was sport just the same.

The party certainly enjoyed the hospitality of Mrs. Lindsay, who served a most excellent dinner, and the vote was unanimous that this most estimable

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## WATCH THIS SPACE NEXT WEEK

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lady is one of the finest cooks in Morrow county. It was thought for awhile that we would not be able to get Jim McGee home on account of eating so much.

A nice string of fish was the result of the day's sport.

## Daylight Burglaries.

The farm homes of Mr. Nash and Johan Troedson near Cecil were broken into this week by unknown parties. From Mr. Nash's house a rifle, revolver and a pair of shoes were taken. Some clothing and a set of harness were taken from Mr. Troedson's place. A party of immigrants who were travelling through the country about the time the articles were taken are suspected. D. C. Gurdane and Johan Troedson were deputized and went in pursuit of the immigrants armed with a search warrant.

## Heppner Flour Mill.

The Heppner flour mill is now being renovated and the machinery will be put in first-class condition for the season's run. The first new wheat came in this week, but owing to the fact that not much wheat has yet been threshed in the country tributary to Heppner, little of it has been brought in up to this time. The mill will pay a little above the market price for wheat and expects to purchase a large quantity this season.

## Swapped Ranches.

Art. Minor, whose residence on a tributary of Balm creek covers a period of many years, and Bob Dexter, who for at least thirty years has operated a valuable ranch on Willow creek, have amicably traded properties. No "boot" was asked or given on either side. They just swapped.

## THE MAN AND HIS PICTURES.

### Masculine Half of the Race Hates Old Age Much More Than Do the Women.

The man was about 55, says the Philadelphia Record. He was rather bald. His wrinkles were many. His mustache was gray. The flesh of his cheeks and neck hung rather soft and flabby. Nevertheless, he looked vigorous and intelligent—he was handsomer take him altogether than he had been at 40. But he brought out a photograph of himself at 40 which hardly resembled him, so much had he changed, and, "if you want to print my picture, use this," he said to the reporter; "but don't lose it, for it's the only one I've got of myself at that age and I'd like to keep it, for, you know, I don't grow any younger." "I'd rather have your picture as you are to-day," said the reporter; "for you are handsomer now than you were at 40." "Oh, no; I am too old and wrinkled and bald now," said the man. "Use the 40-year-old picture." The reporter exclaimed with a puzzled laugh: "So many men are like you. Though they are old they insist on having young pictures printed. They fail to realize how much more interesting and pleasing their face is in old age, if they have lived a fairly wise and industrious life. I've had men of 70 actually who have given me reproduction photographs of themselves at 35. Women don't do this. I believe men hate old age more than women do." "I hate it," said the other grimly.

Lawyer—You say there were three men called at the house that night?

Witness—Yes.

"What did you notice about these men?"

"They were colored men."

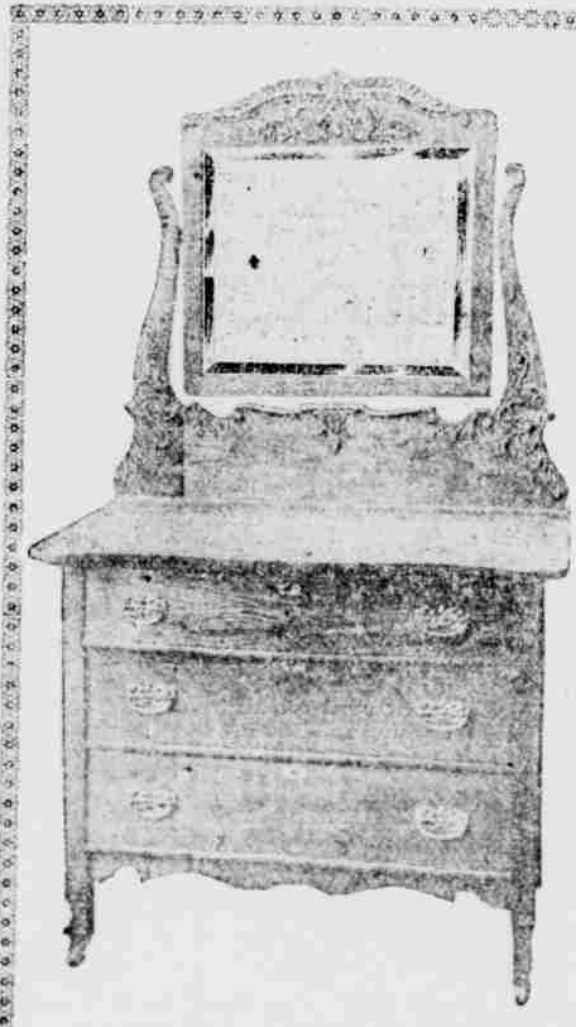
"Are you sure they were not one and the same man coming three times?"

"I am sure they were not."

"You are sure they were three different colored men?"

"No, sir. They were three different men, but not different colored. They were all black."—Minnesota Times.

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